



COVID-19 INFORMATION

Spring carnivals and jamborees

What host communities need to know



Planning

- Complete the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission [Exposure Control Plan](#) to identify and address any potential risks at your event.
- Submit the Exposure Control Plan to Environmental_Health@gov.nt.ca.



Consider creative ways to make your event safe

Allow for physical distancing using bigger spaces (see *Gathering Limits* below).

- Keep teams to household groups or bubbles.
- Hold activities outside as much as possible because open air settings are safer.
- Spread activities and events throughout town or in an open space with lots of room.
- Limit spectators by streaming events online or on radio, especially jiggling, bingo, or talent shows. These activities are high-risk when done in-person. If not possible, ensure proper distancing and cleanliness measures, when using items such as cards or prizes.
- Let event goers know how things will be different this year via Facebook, radio, website, etc.



Avoid high-risk activities

- Hand games: Reducing risks associated with hand games is very difficult. Participants are close together, it includes sharing frequently touched objects, and spectators are often gathered closely together.
- Large groups dancing or singing: COVID-19 is spread by respiratory droplets. Any activity in which people are close together and/or talking, singing, or playing wind instruments increases potential transmission.



Handwashing

Throughout the events ensure one of the following is available:

- Hand wash stations with water, soap and paper towels.
- Hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol.

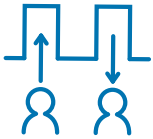


Food

- Make sure all food is individually packaged and there is no self-serve or food or condiments on site.

Obtain a food permit from Environmental Health:

- [Permits](#)
- [Application Form](#)



Gathering limits

- Indoor gatherings cannot exceed 25 people unless an exception is approved by the Chief Public Health Officer.
- Outdoor gatherings cannot exceed 50 people unless an exception is approved by the Chief Public Health Officer.
- Control access to your event to ensure limited numbers:
 - o Consider having multiple locations to avoid large crowds.
 - o Consider one-way traffic flow to guide participants in one direction and to avoid congestion.



Screening

Ask the following to all attendees. If any answers are YES, they can't participate:

- Are you or is someone in your household self-isolating because you have returned to the NWT within the past 14 days?
- Do you feel sick or have any symptoms of COVID-19?
- Are you waiting to hear the results of a lab test for COVID-19?
- Have you or anyone in your household been diagnosed with COVID-19?
- Have you been told by a health care provider that you must self-isolate?

Finally...

- Wear a non-medical mask when it is hard to keep a distance of two metres or six feet from others.
- Don't share equipment, tools, prizes, food, etc.
- Be kind, be supportive, and have a great time!

